

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1010

By Faison

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of John Adams of Knoxville.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness that the members of this General Assembly learned of the untimely passing of John Adams, a popular talk-show host and general manager of WETR-FM/Joy 620-AM WRJZ in Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, since coming to WETR/WRJZ nearly seven years ago, Mr. Adams had provided a broader conservative voice to East Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams entered the world of broadcasting directly out of college, and during the course of his illustrious career, he worked for *The 700 Club*, Talk Radio 92.3 in Tennessee, WDBO in Florida, and the Florida Radio Network, which he founded; and

WHEREAS, he also served as the producer and host of the nationally syndicated *The Christian Radio Journal* for more than twelve years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams had the great honor of working with such luminaries as Glenn Beck, Lars Larson, Ben Shapiro, Dave Ramsey, Pat Robertson, and D. James Kennedy; and

WHEREAS, on a personal level, Mr. Adams was a loving, generous person who often made sacrifices to ensure the happiness of others; and

WHEREAS, a God-fearing man who loved the Lord, Mr. Adams enjoyed introducing others to God's love and grace through his weekly Bible study group, which was held at his favorite cigar shop, and sharing the Word in the most unlikely places; and

WHEREAS, he was also a world traveler who spoke more than six languages; and

WHEREAS, a native of Iowa, Mr. Adams grew up in Missouri and attended the University of Missouri-Kansas City; later in life, he was loyal to the athletic programs of both the Mizzou Tigers and the University of Tennessee Volunteers; and

WHEREAS, a man of many interests, he enjoyed books, politics, truth, Scotch, and cigars, but he was especially grateful for the love and companionship of his wife and family; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should pay tribute to Mr. Adams's bountiful life on this sad occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of John Adams, reflecting fondly upon his stalwart commitment to conservatism and Christian values in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend our sympathy and condolences to Mr. Adams's family and many friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.